

# Jamming in Quasi-2D Self-Assembled Nanoparticle Monolayers

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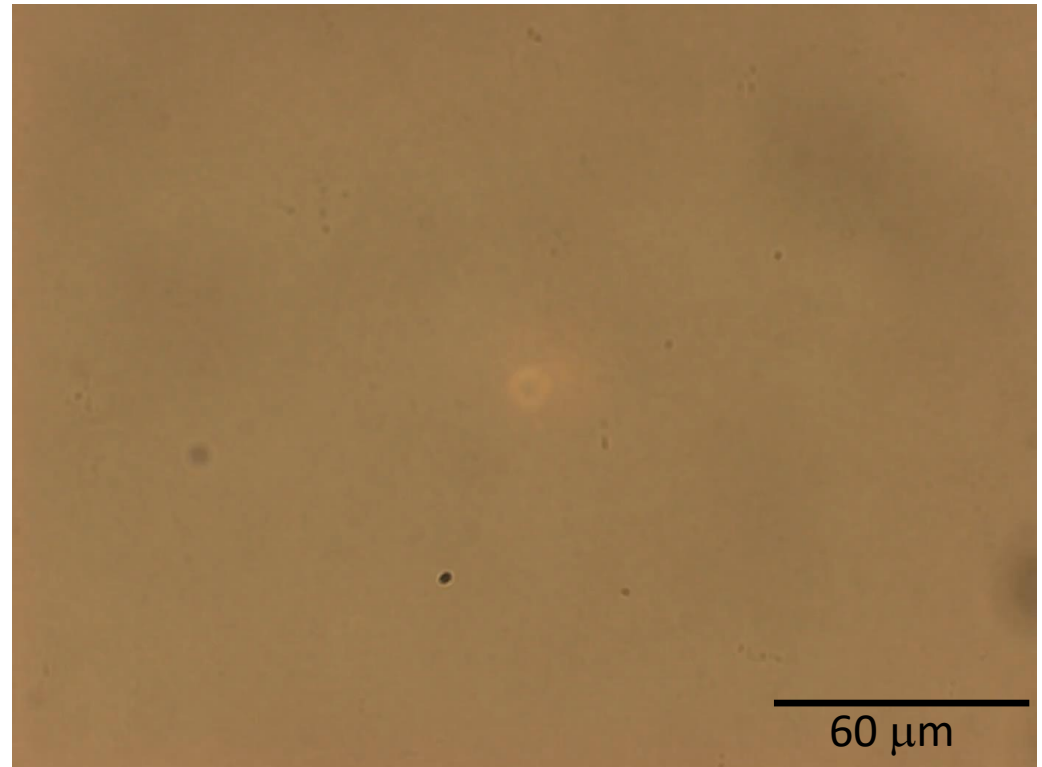
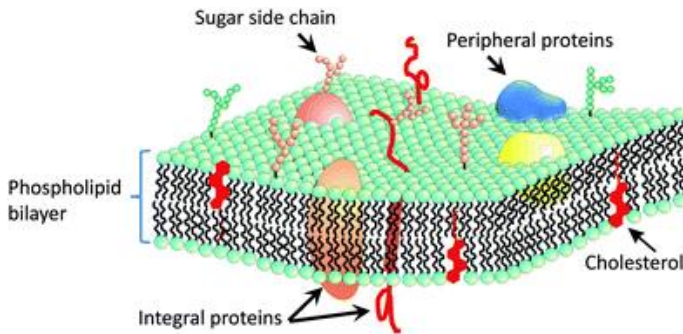
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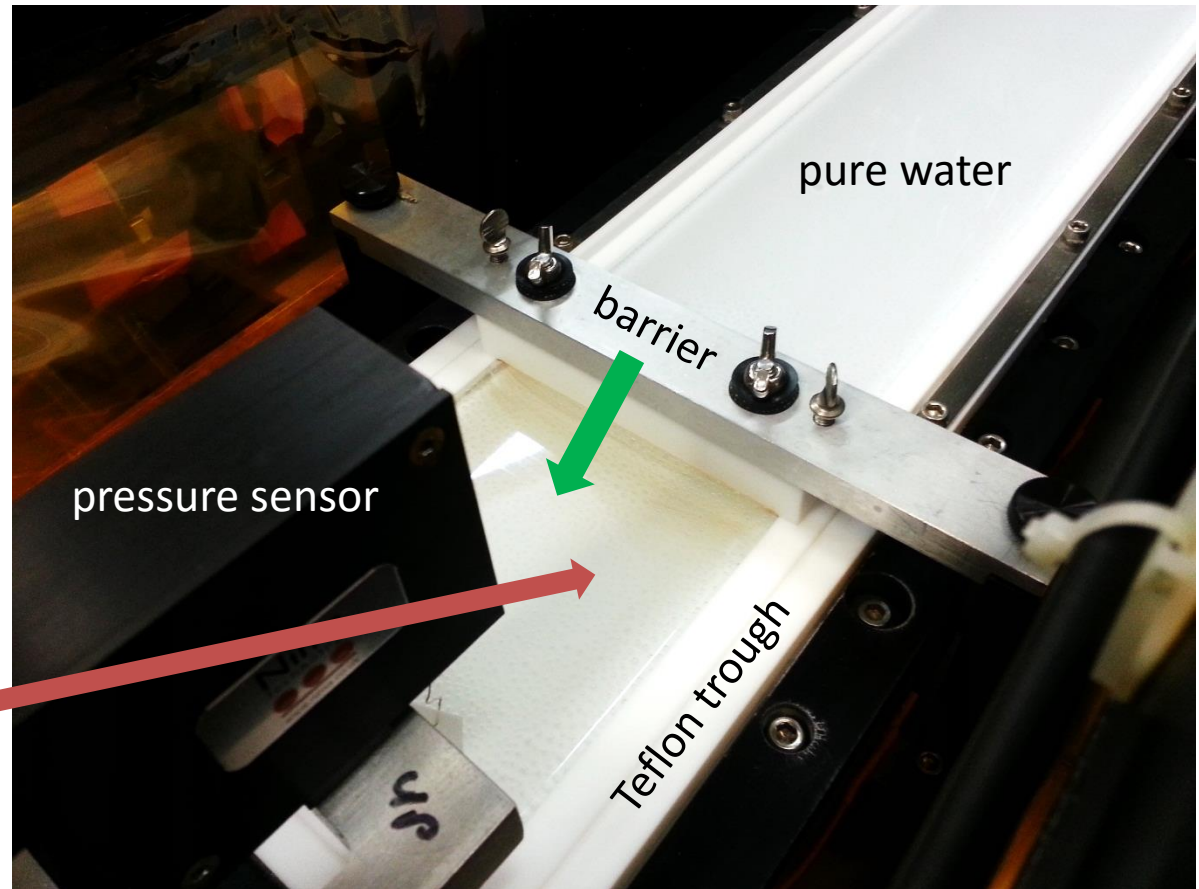
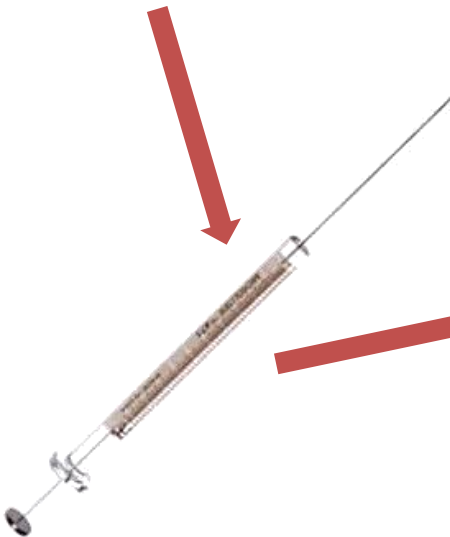
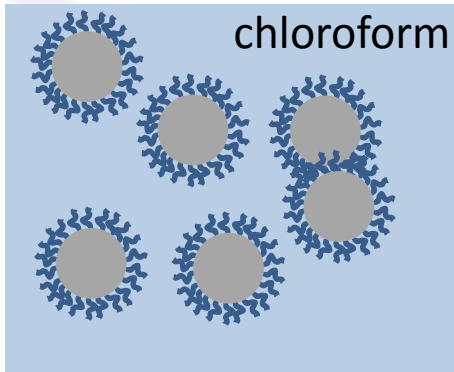
# Interfacial Structures

10nm iron oxide nanoparticle film during compression on liquid surface

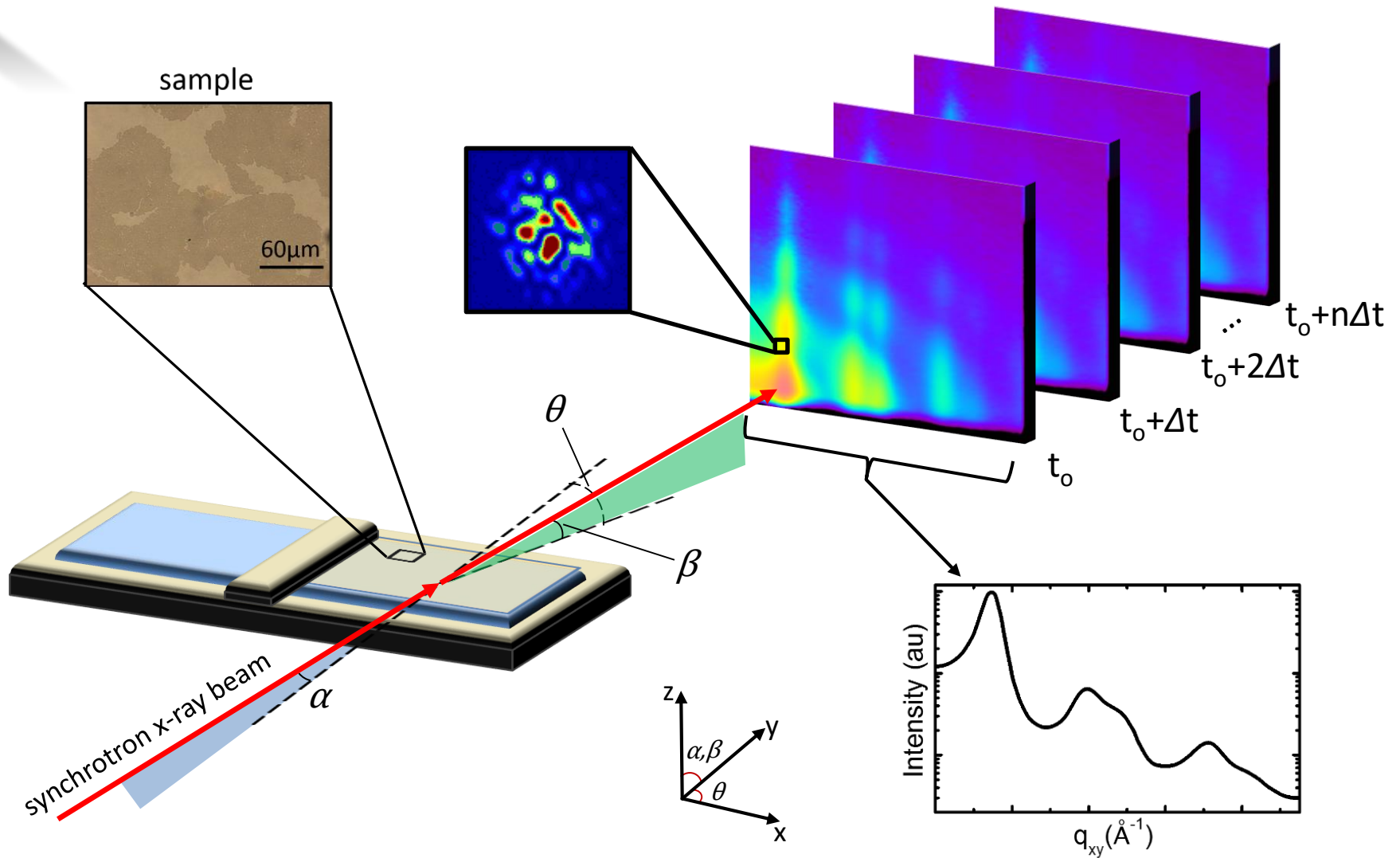


**How do individual particle dynamics affect the film structure?**

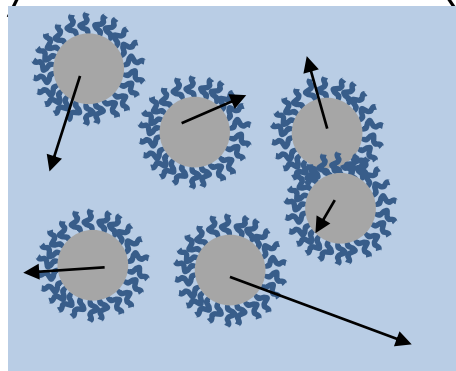
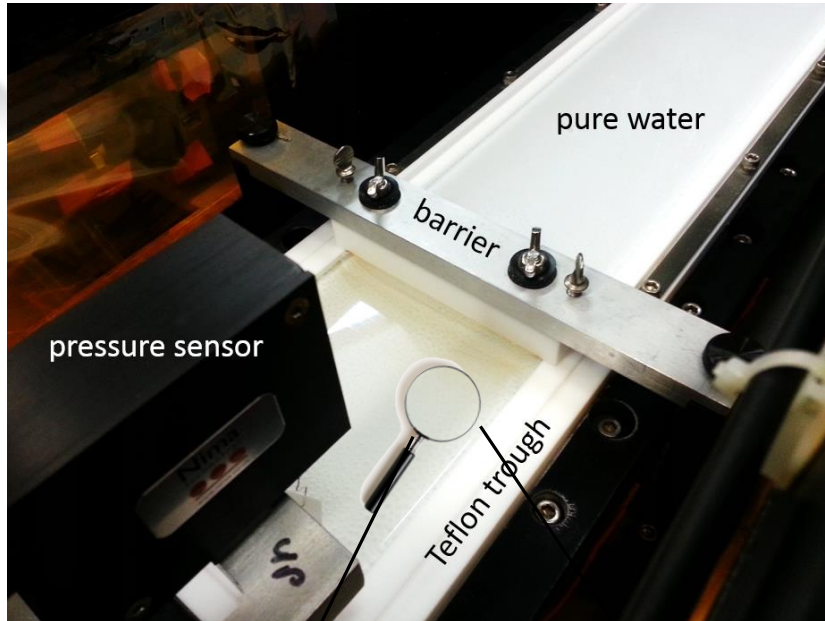
# Langmuir-Blodgett Trough



# X-Ray Photon Correlation Spectroscopy (XPCS)



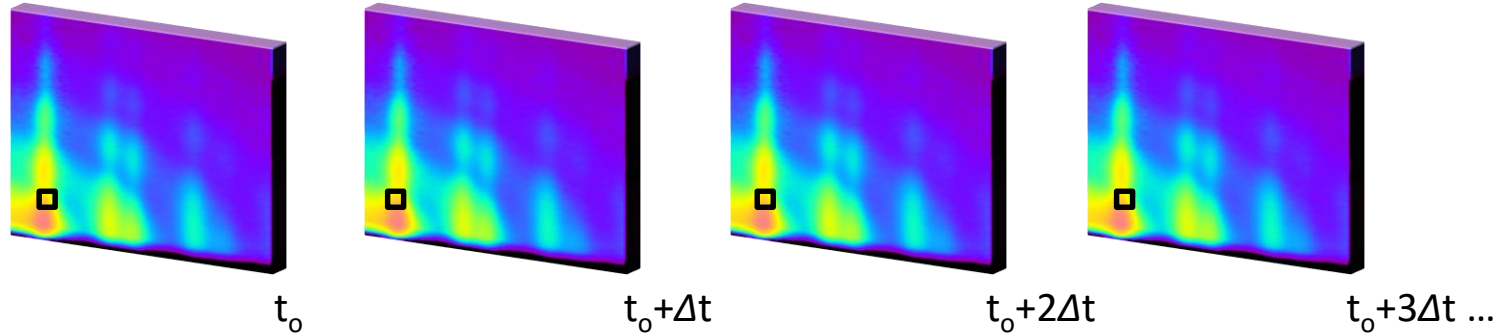
# Timescales



How *old* is the film?  
(age) - hours

How *quickly* are the  
particles moving?  
(dynamics timescale)  
– hundreds of  
seconds

# Interparticle Dynamics

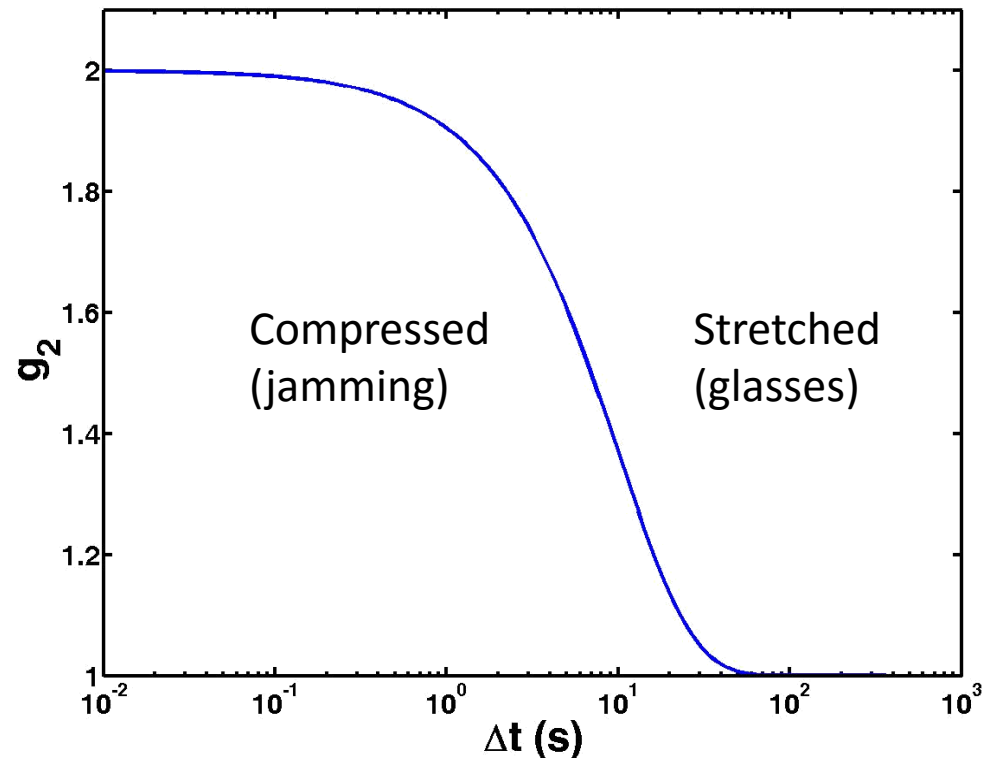


$$g_2(\Delta t) = \frac{\langle I(t)I(t + \Delta t) \rangle_t}{\langle I(t) \rangle_t^2}$$

No motion – constant  
intensity

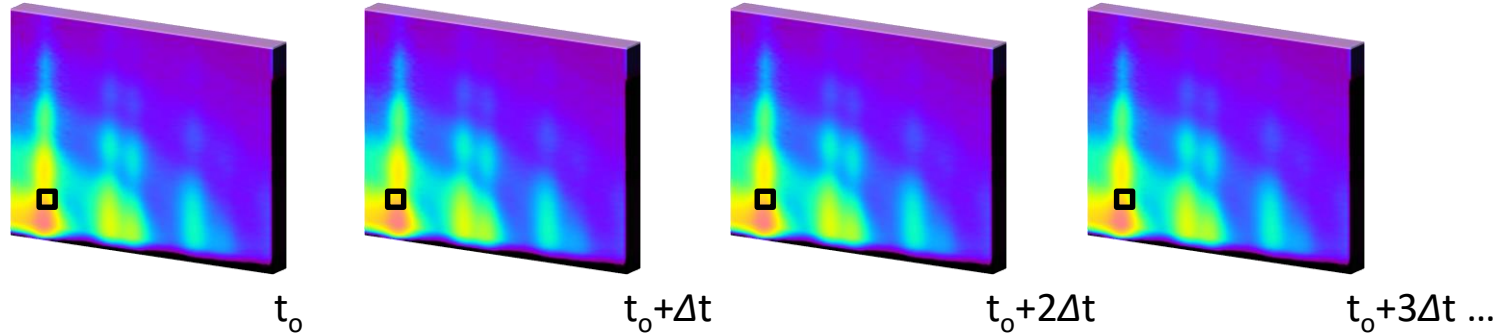
Motion – changing  
intensity, decorrelation

$$g_2(\Delta t) - 1 = b \left[ A e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^\beta} \right]^2$$





# Interparticle Dynamics

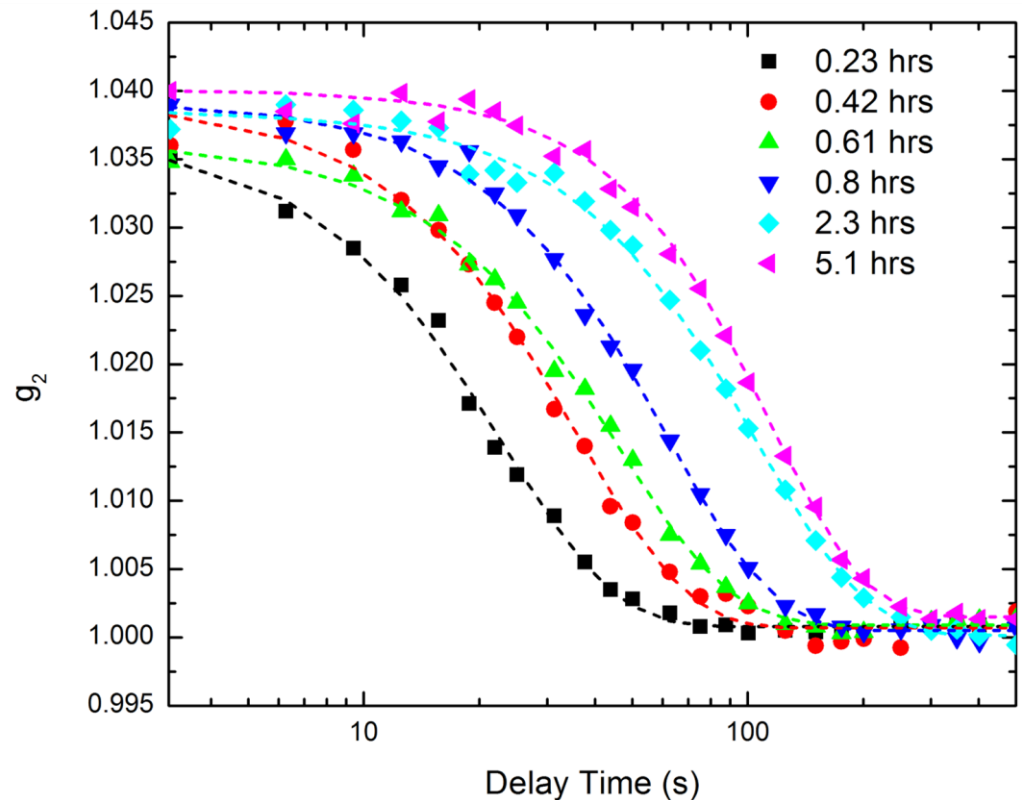


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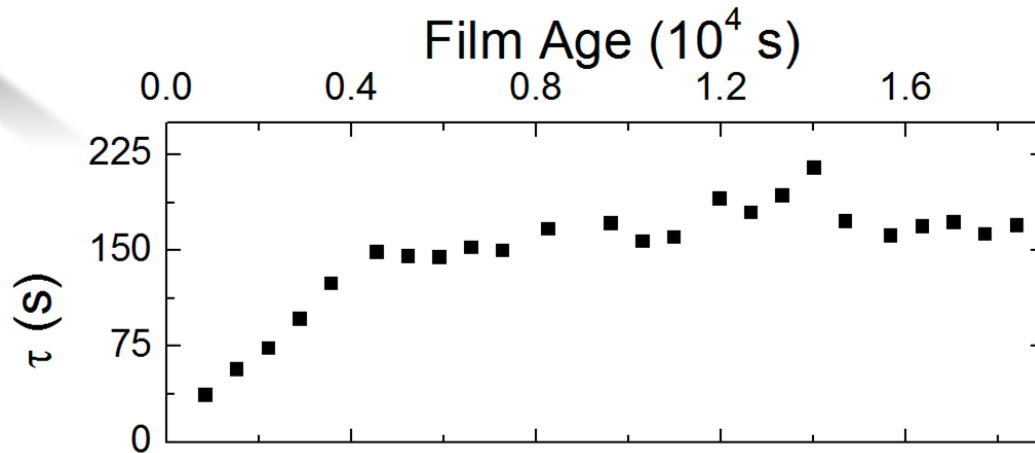
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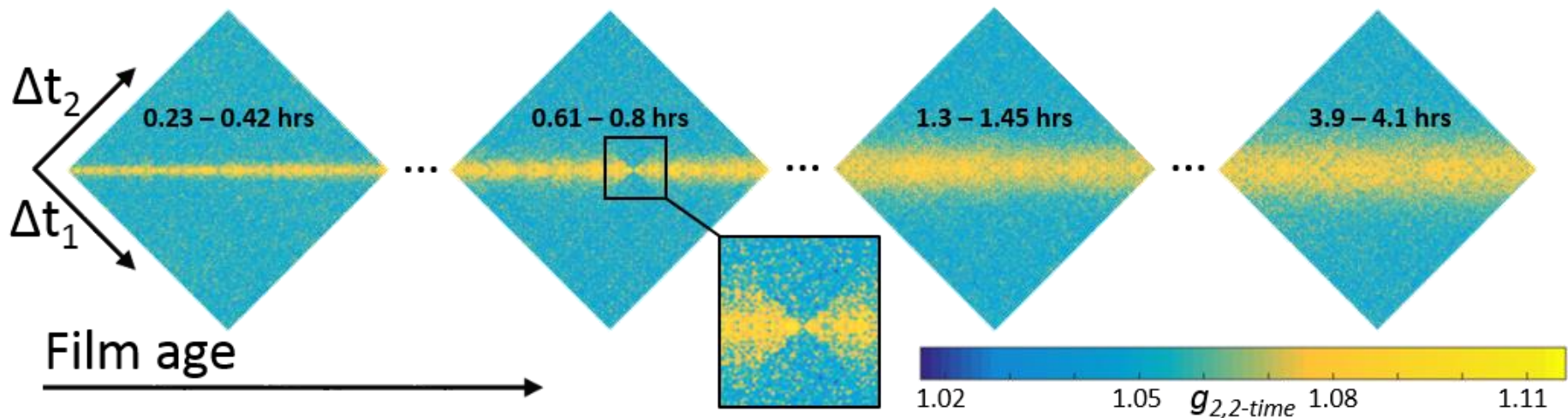
$$g_2(\Delta t) - 1 = b \left[ A e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^\beta} \right]^2$$



# Film Age Effects



$$g_{2,2-time}(\Delta t_1, \Delta t_2) = \frac{\langle I(t + \Delta t_1) I(t + \Delta t_2) \rangle_t}{\langle I(t) \rangle_t^2}$$





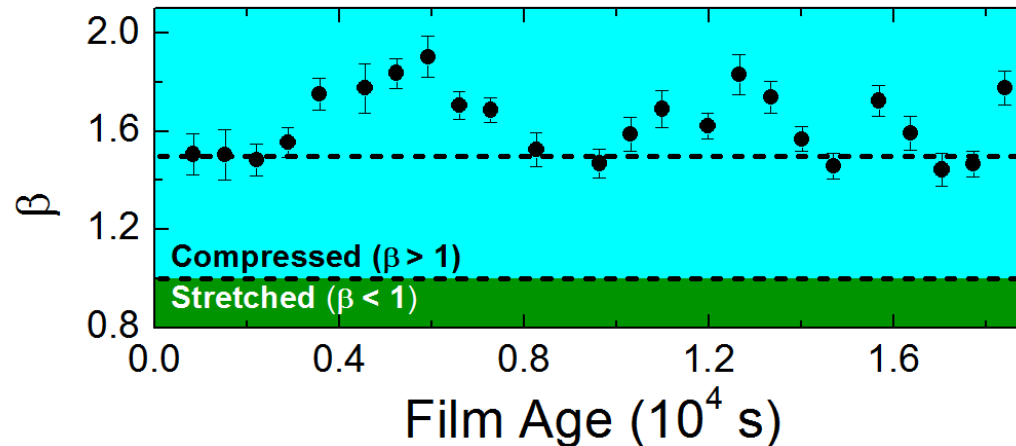
# Dimensionality of Jamming

$$g_2(\Delta t) - 1 = b \left[ A e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^\beta} \right]^2$$

$$\beta \sim \frac{d}{d-1}$$

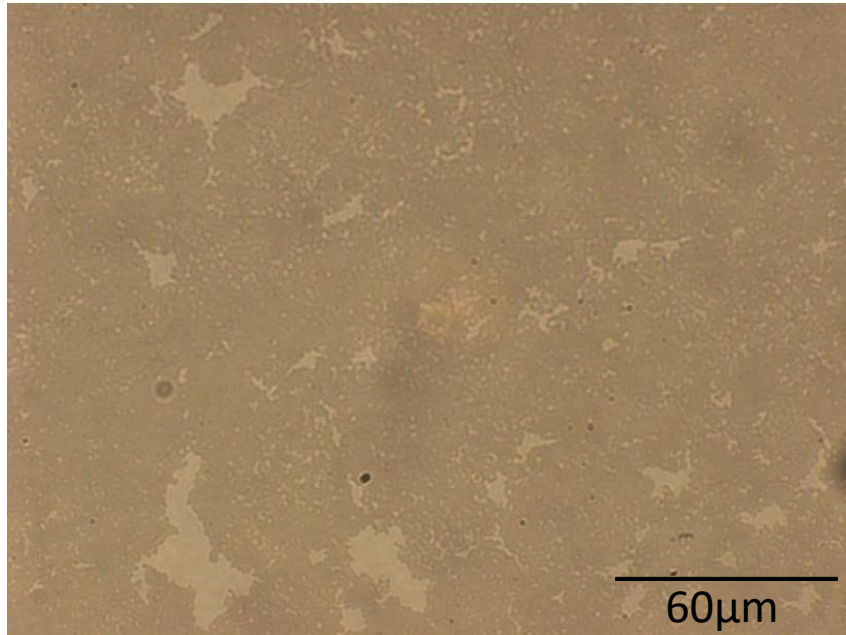
$\beta \sim 1.5$  (3-dimensions)

$\beta \sim 2$  (2-dimensions)

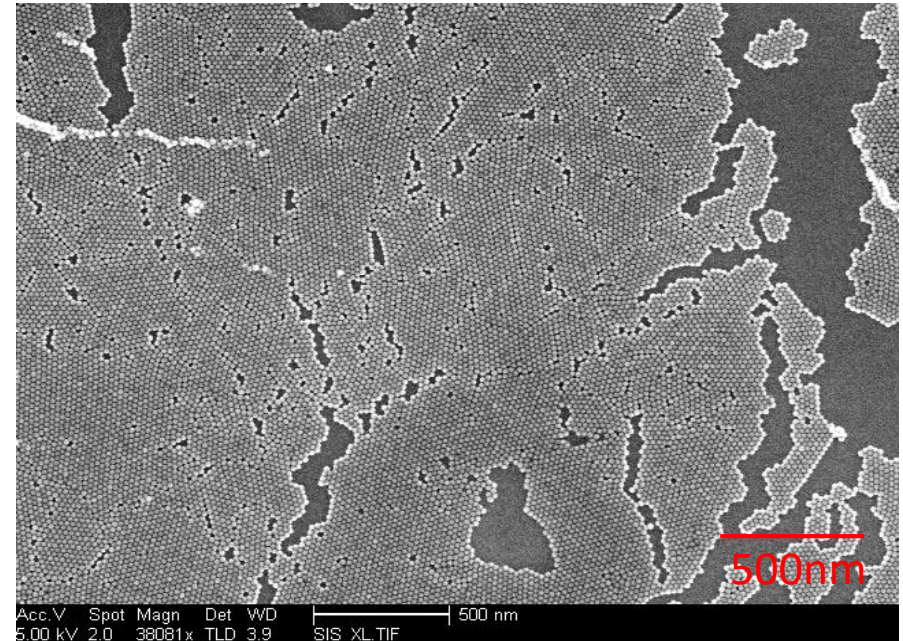


# Structural Self-Similarity

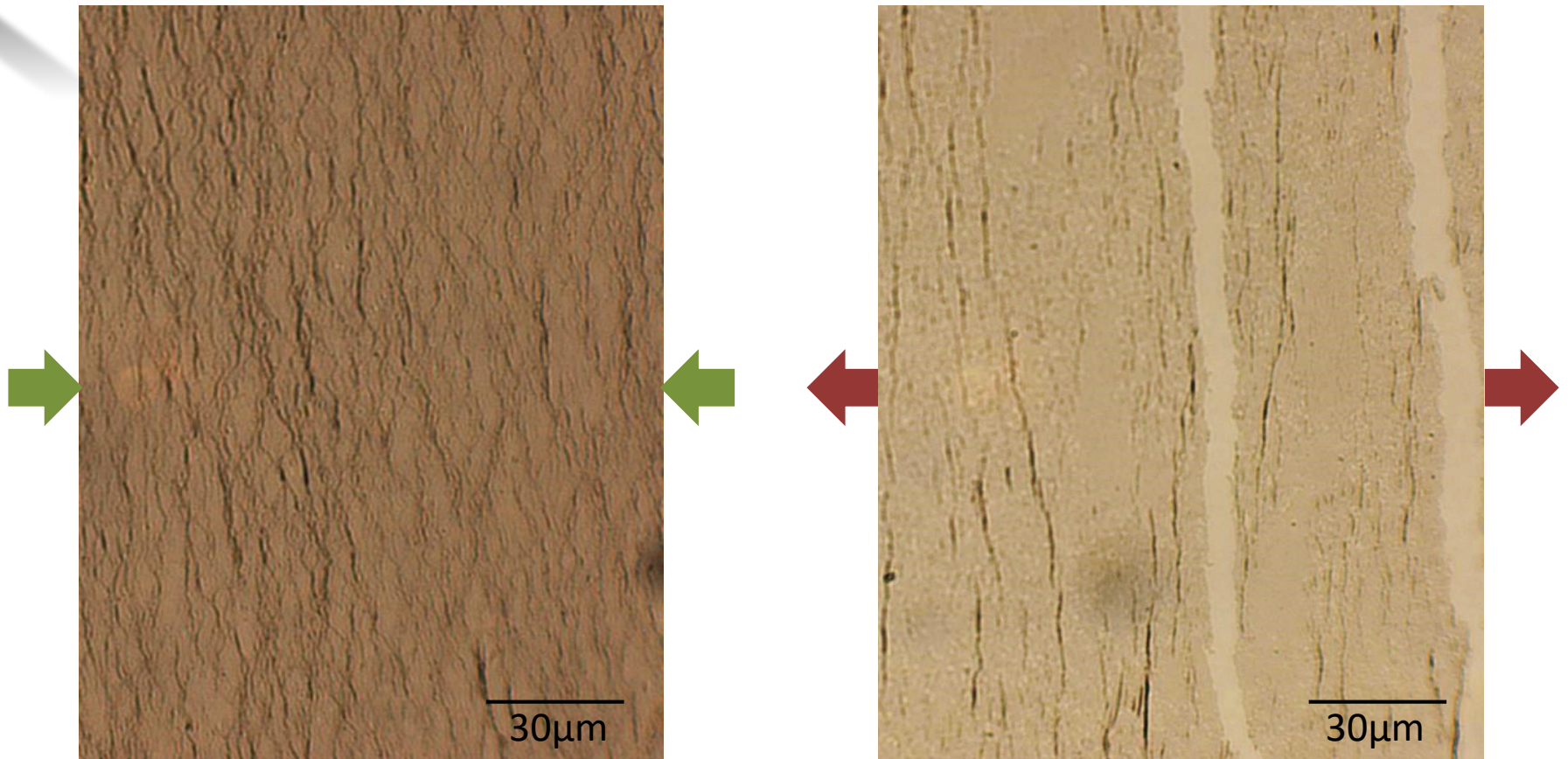
20nm iron oxide particles *in situ* on water surface (optical microscopy)



20nm iron oxide particles “stamped” onto silicon substrate (SEM)

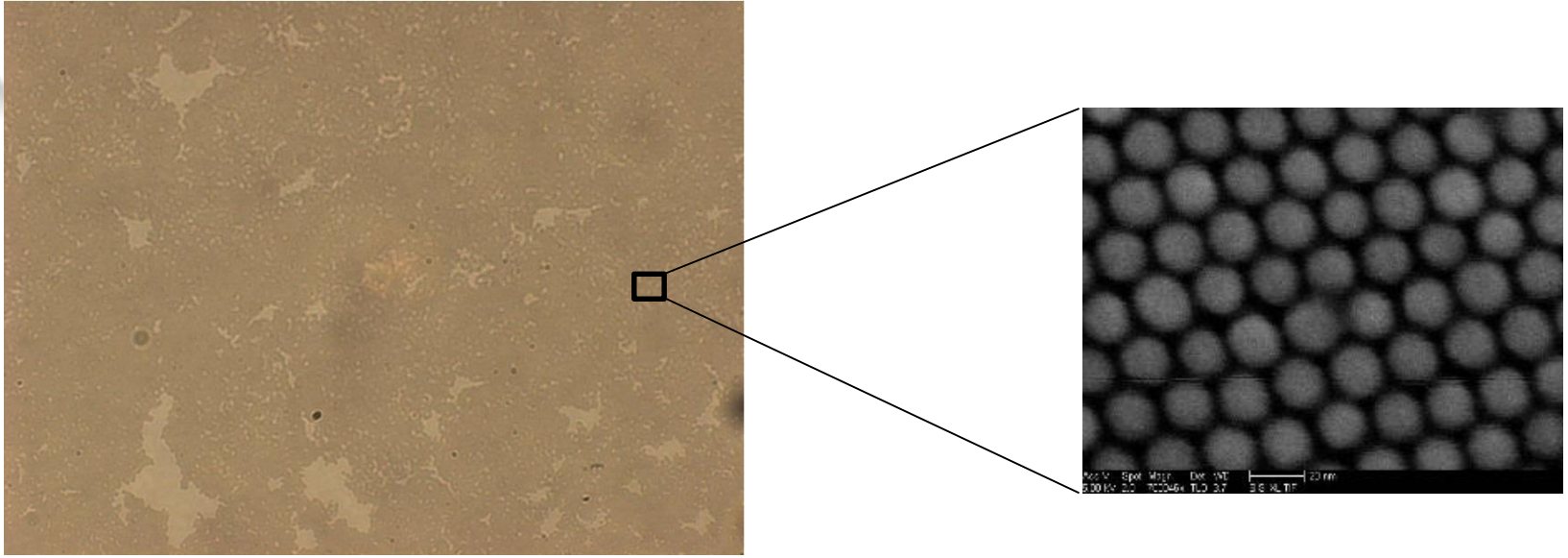


# Irreversibility





# Conclusion



- Quasi-2D system
- Jamming transition
- Signatures of viscoelasticity

Thank you!

# Backup Slides

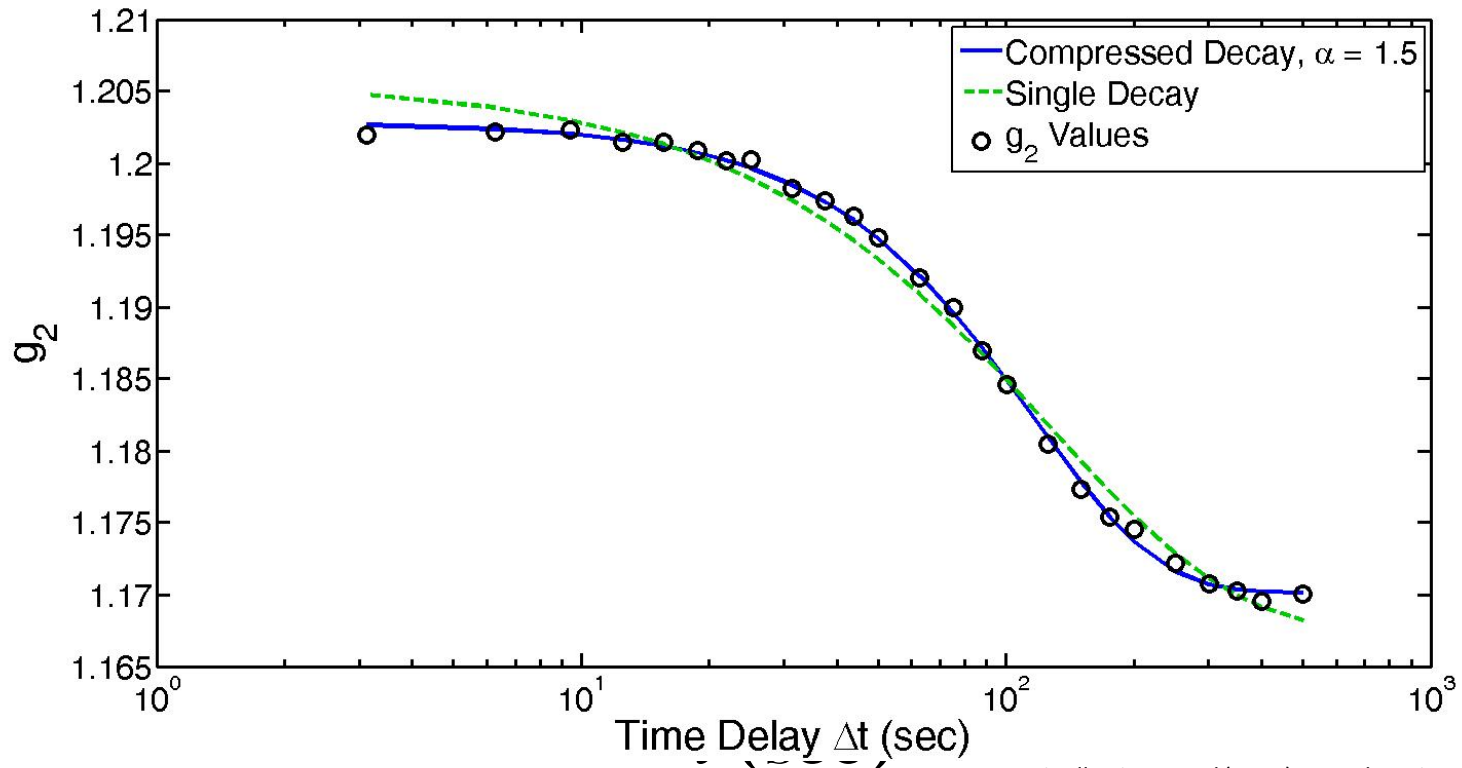
# Jamming Transition

Single Exponential  
(Brownian)

$$g_2 \propto e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

Compressed Exponential  
(Jammed State)

$$g_2 \propto e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)^\alpha}$$





# Recurrence of Compressed Exponential

Cipelletti, L., *et. al.* (2003). Universal non-diffusive slow dynamics in aging soft matter. *Faraday Discussions*, 123, 237–251.

or tens of microns. Remarkably, for all systems the same very peculiar form is found for the final relaxation of the dynamic structure factor:  $f(q,t) \sim \exp[-(t/\tau_s)^p]$ , with  $p \approx 1.5$  and  $\tau_s \sim q^{-1}$ , thus suggesting the generality of this behavior. Additionally, for all samples the final relaxation slows down with age, although the aging behavior is found to be sample dependent. We propose that the unusual ultraslow dynamics are due to the relaxation of internal stresses, built into the sample at the jamming transition, and present simple scaling arguments that support this hypothesis.

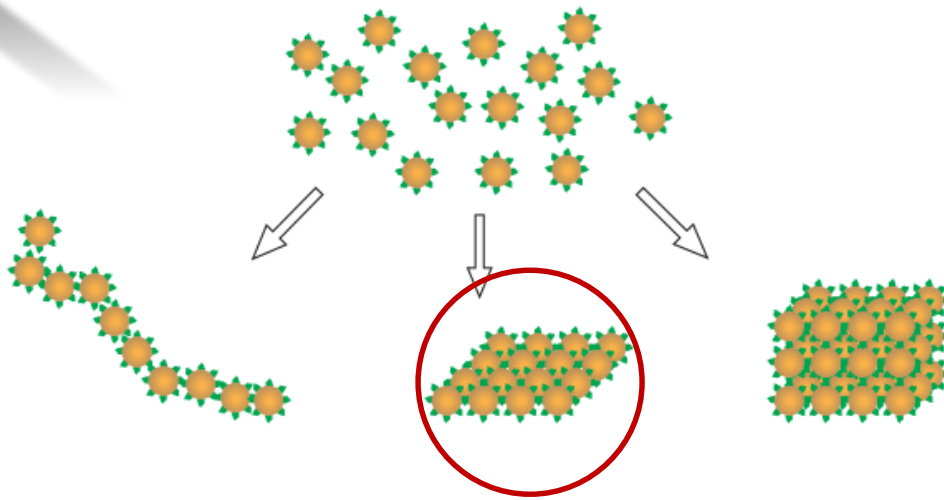
Bouchaud, J.-P., & Pitard, E. (2001). Anomalous dynamical light scattering in soft glassy gels. *The European Physical Journal E*, 6, 231–236.

**Abstract.** We compute the dynamical structure factor  $S(q, \tau)$  of an elastic medium where force dipoles appear at random in space and in time, due to “micro-collapses” of the structure. Various regimes are found, depending on the wave vector  $q$  and the collapse time  $\theta$ . In an early-time regime, the logarithm of the structure factor behaves as  $(q\tau)^{3/2}$ , as predicted in L. Cipelletti, S. Manley, R.C. Ball, D.A. Weitz, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **84**, 2275 (2000) using heuristic arguments. However, in an intermediate-time regime we

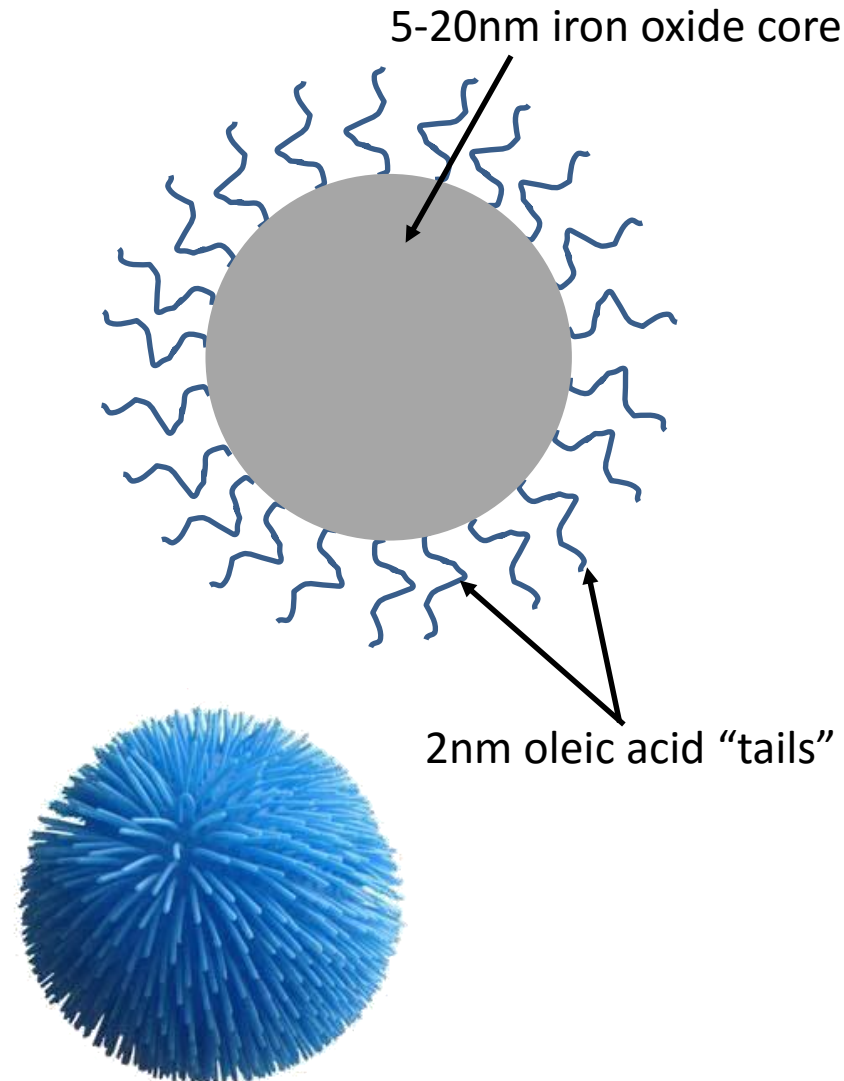
Bandyopadhyay, R., *et. al.* (2004). Evolution of Particle-Scale Dynamics in an Aging Clay Suspension. *Physical Review Letters*, 93(22), 228302.

Multispeckle x-ray photon correlation spectroscopy was employed to characterize the slow dynamics of a suspension of highly charged, nanometer-sized disks. At wave vectors  $q$  corresponding to interparticle length scales, the dynamic structure factor follows a form  $f(q, t) \sim \exp[-(t/\tau)^\beta]$ , where  $\beta \approx 1.5$ . The relaxation time  $\tau$  increases with the sample age  $t_a$  approximately as  $\tau \sim t_a^{1.8}$  and decreases

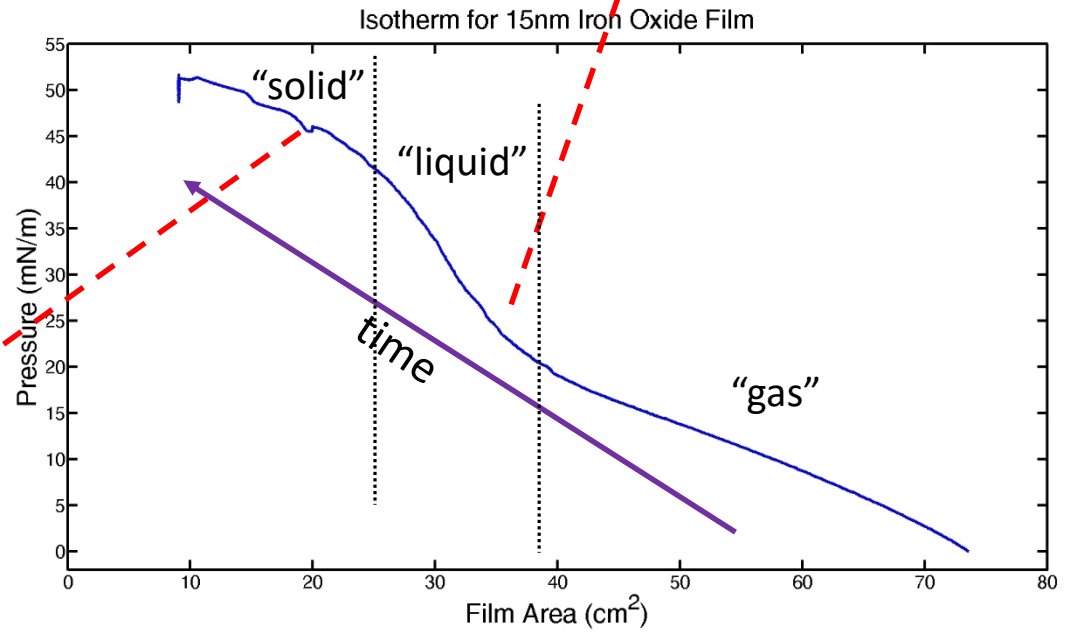
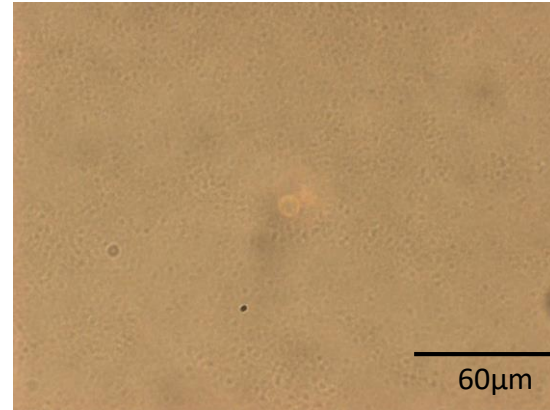
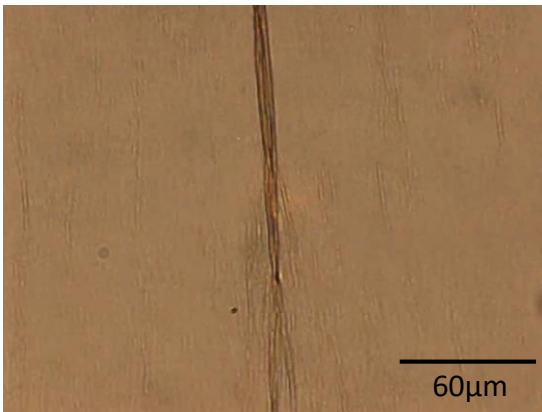
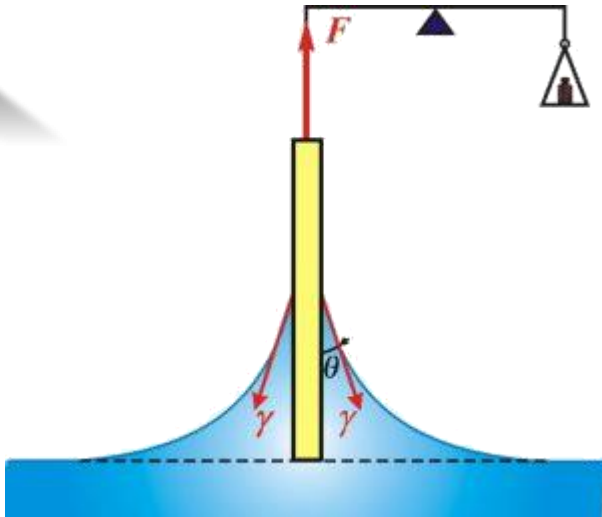
# Liquid Surface Self Assembly



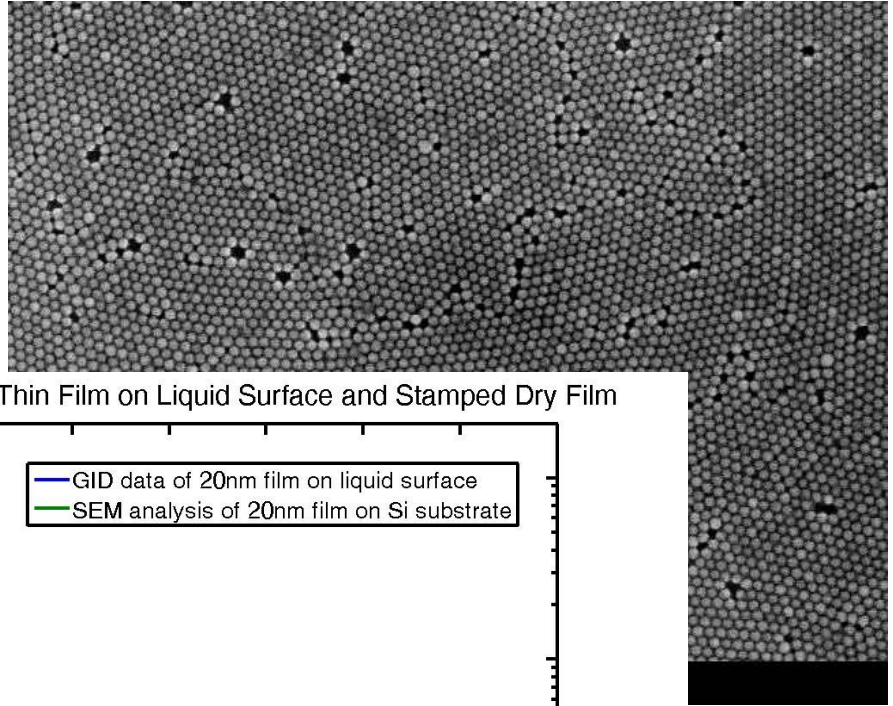
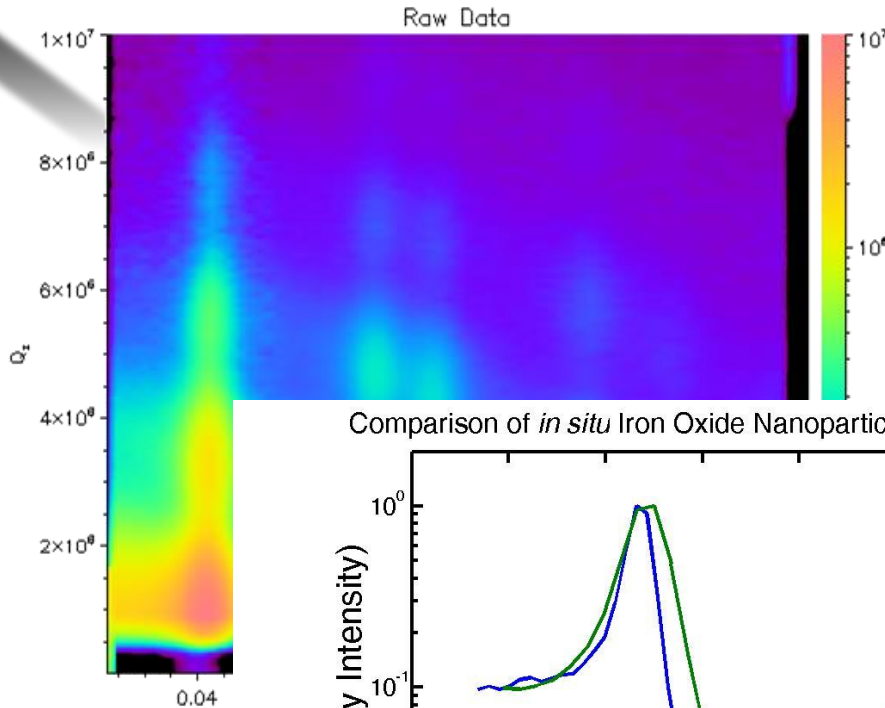
- Van der Waals Force
- Interfacial Forces
- Magnetic Interactions
- Electric Interactions



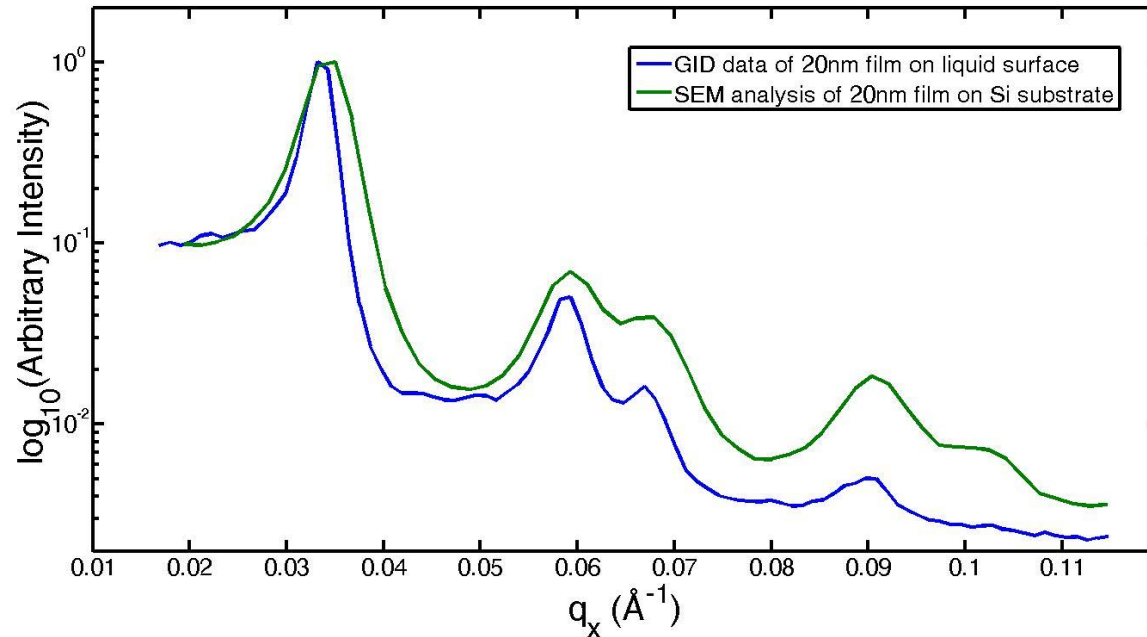
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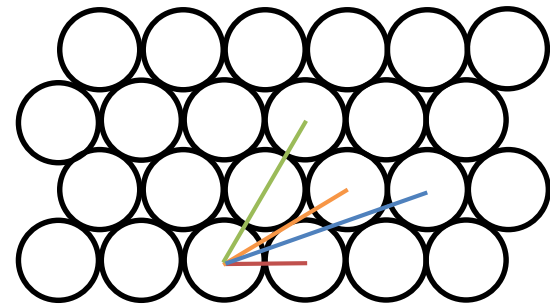
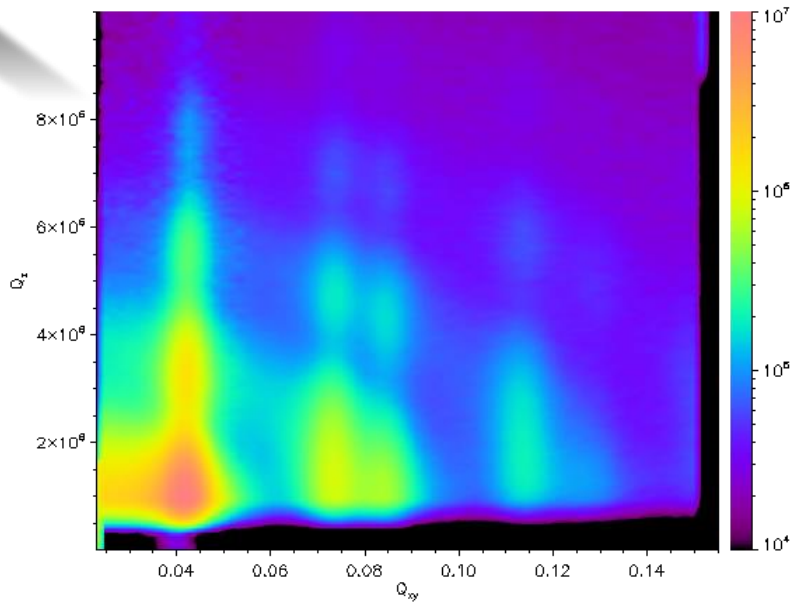
# Preservation of Structure



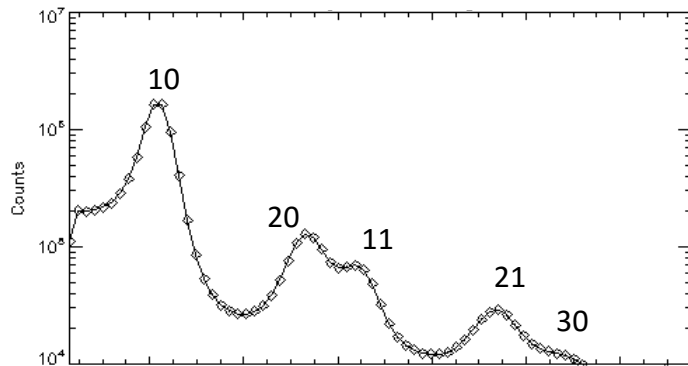
Comparison of *in situ* Iron Oxide Nanoparticle Thin Film on Liquid Surface and Stamped Dry Film



# In-Plane Film Structure

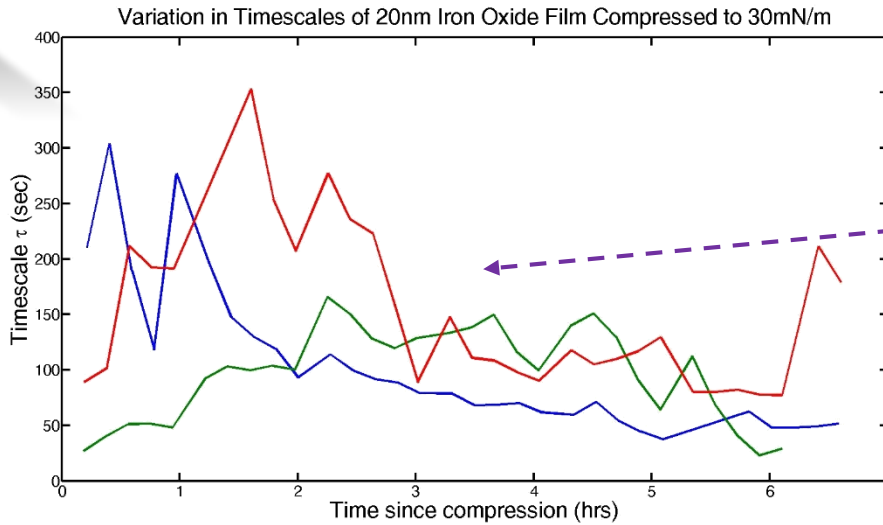


Nearest Neighbor Spacing



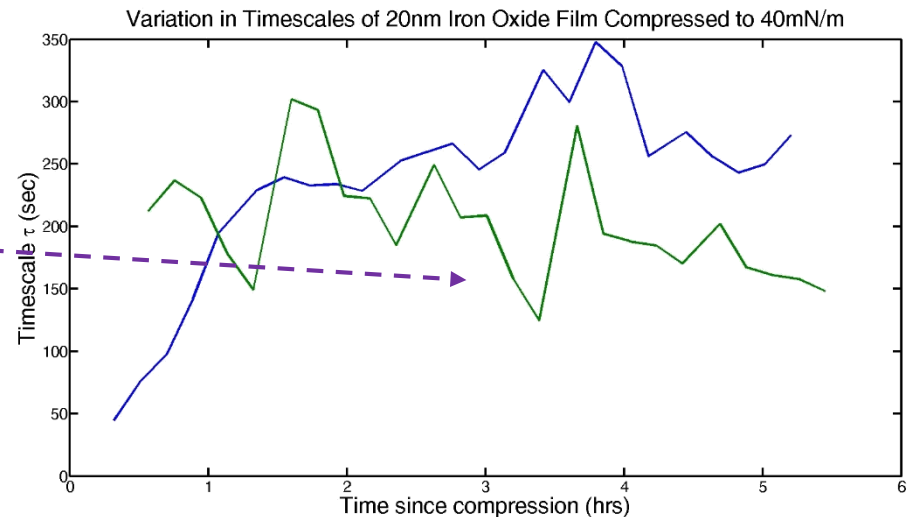
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
Hexagonal Close Packed	1	$\sqrt{3}$ $\approx 1.73$	2	$\sqrt{7}$ $\approx 2.65$
Experiment	1	1.75	2.01	2.74

# Timescale-Pressure Dependence



$$\bar{\tau}_{30mN/m} = 120s$$

$$\bar{\tau}_{40mN/m} = 220s$$





# Q-Dependence of Timescale

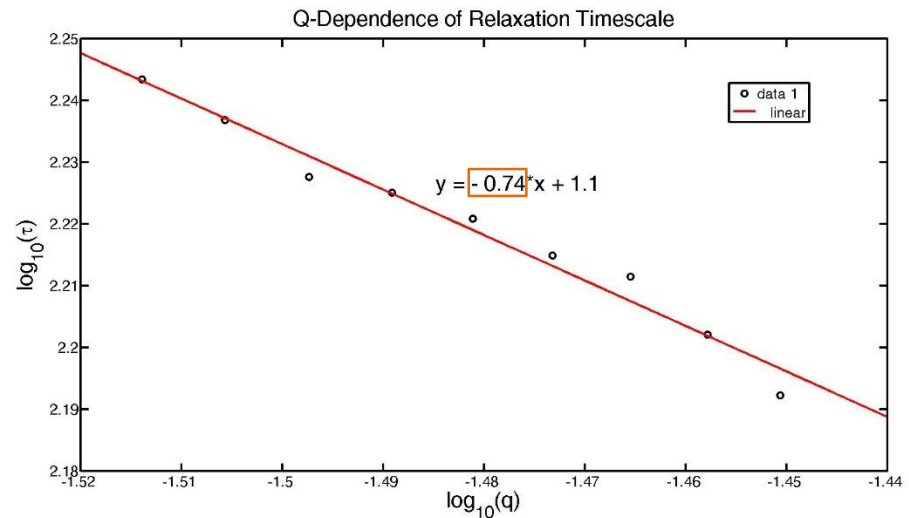
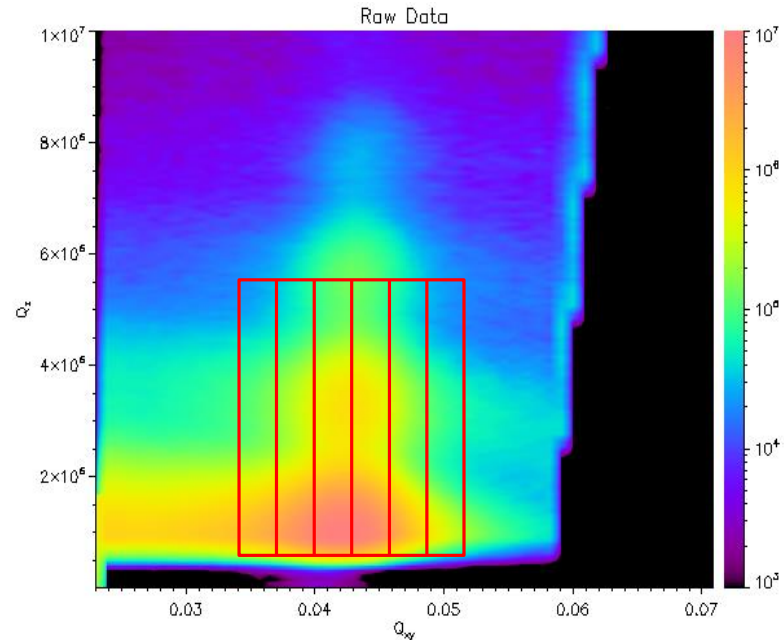
Non-Brownian Motion

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = 2Dt^{\textcolor{red}{n}}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \left( \frac{2\pi}{q} \right)^2 \quad t = \tau$$

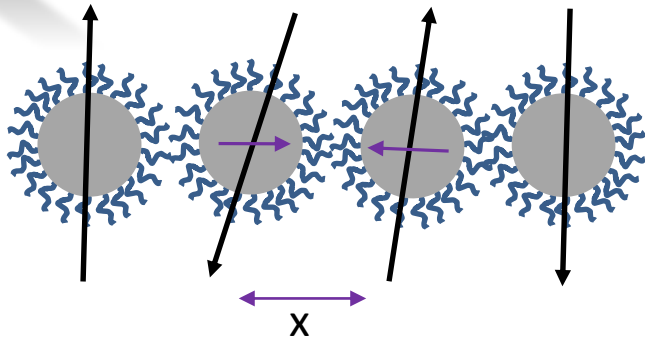
$$\tau = \frac{2\pi^2}{q^2 D}$$

$$\ln \tau = -\frac{2}{\textcolor{red}{n}} \ln q + C$$



# Magnetic Field Application

No External Field



External Field

